

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: 477f43ca-935b-4322-a2bf-0a3b38763673

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 2000108.046

Medium: Video File

Maker: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

Applicant: The District Court at Auckland

Classification:	Objectionable.
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Excisions: No excisions recommended

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 23 April 2020

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: No notice of decision has been issued

	Components	Running time
Timed component(s):	477f43ca-935b-4322-a2bf-0a3b38763673	0:36
Total running time:		0:36

Summary of reasons for decision:

The video explicitly depicts a man sexually abusing a young girl. It is deemed objectionable because it strongly promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes. The availability of this video creates and encourages the idea that children are sexually available and legitimate subjects for adult sexual use. There can be no other purpose other than the sexual arousal of adults with a sexual interest in children. The digital format allows the video to be widely shared amongst likeminded individuals, which would result in a perpetuation of this sexual interest and further exploitation of the girl. The video could also be used to groom other children for sexual abuse. The Classification Office has considered the effects of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 on the application of the classification criteria. The classification of this publication interferes with the right

to freedom of expression, but this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications that promote and support the exploitation of children for sexual purposes be deemed objectionable.